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Applicants: Yoshihiro Uchiumi, et al.

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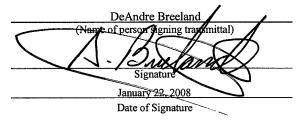
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AMENDMENT SUBMITTED WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 1, 2007, having a three-month statutory period of response set to expire on February 1, 2008, Applicants submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and an electronic payment of \$810.00 as payment of the RCE fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

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